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CROSSLINKED POLYMER ELECTROLYTE
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and any additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for:

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within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the above-entitled application, **or**

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- 1b. ☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted

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(2) ☐ the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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3. ☐ Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
- a. ☒ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
 - b. ☒ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith (Attachment D),
 - c. ☒ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application,
 - d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
 - e. ☒ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:

-JP 2000-123632 corresponds to EP 0 994 143 B1

-JP 10-176105, JP 10-130487 and JP 10-204172 correspond to U.S. 5,968,681

-JP 11-269263 corresponds to U.S. 6,159,389

-JP 9-324114 corresponds to EP 0 742 563 A1

-JP 62-169823 corresponds to EP 0 222 586 A2

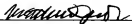
On attached PTO-1449, references AA, AC and AE to AM are cited in the International Search Report and references AB and AN to AS are cited in the specification.

5. ☐ A foreign patent office search report citing one or more of the references is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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